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BRIEFING Larry O'Brien, in the office of Representative John Murphy (D., N.Y.), called to request a briefing session tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. to assist Mr. Murphy, who is heading the House delegation to South Korea in honor of Veterans Day there. Mr. Murphy will be speaking before the South Korean General Assembly and a university and wanted to review thoughts in connection with these statements. In response to my query concerning political guides and nuances, O'Brien said he plans on meeting with State OCI, is scheduled for the Department officials also.

briefing in room 2187 Rayburn House Office Building.

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LIAISON Called Guy McConnell, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, regarding the request of 8 and 10 October 1975 from Theodore Ralston, of the Senate Select Committee, for access to certain OLC Journal items which relate to Agency briefings of various committees of the Congress. I told McConnell that access to these Journal items would probably raise the question of access to our Memoranda for the Record on these briefings since the Journal items constitute little more than an entry relating to the fact of the briefing and a reference to a Memorandum for the Record on the subject. I expressed reservation about granting Mr. Ralston access to these memoranda and asked McConnell for his views. He said that as far as he was concerned, these memoranda were prepared for the Committee's benefit in the absence of a transcript. are, therefore, the records of the Committee and the Agency is merely the custodian of the record. Therefore, he feels that the Agency should not release these memoranda without the approval of Chairman John McClellan (D., Ark.). He said he would inform the Chairman of our conversation when the Chairman returns after the current recess. I told McConnell it was my intention to follow this advice in handling this matter with the House and Senate Select Committees.

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